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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE			CENTRAL FAX GENTER	
In re Application of:)		OCT 17 2005
	John J. Kenny	Art Unit:	2633	
Serial	No.: 10/601,745) Confirmation No.:	8989	
Filed:	June 23, 2003) Examiner:	A. Bello	
For:	System and Method for Increasing Upstream Communication Efficiency in an Optical Network)))		
	AFTER FINAL RESPONSE	UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.11	16	

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October 17, 2005 (MONDAY)

Responsive to the Final Official Action mailed on June 15, 2005 (and in connection with a Request for Continued Examination, a petition, and a one-month extension of time fee filed herewith to extend the due date to Monday, October 17, 2005), the Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks for the Examiner's consideration.

AMENDMENT

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being faxed to telephone number (571)273-8300, Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop RCE, Attn. Examiner Bello, GAU 2633, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on October 17, 2005 (MONDAY).

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